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April 25, 2012

Ms. Martine Ladiette  
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Dear Ms. Ladiette:

Re: Qualification of shell spring fingers, MIL-DTL-38999, VQP-12-024347, Control Number 035831

This office received your email dated February 14, 2012 along with your supporting documentation concerning the adoption of a new shell spring finger design. The new design uses mechanical joining instead of welding to complete the spring finger assembly. This design is currently in use and qualified by Amphenol Aerospace (AAO). Your request for approval is based on previous qualification work performed by AAO. After review, this information was found to meet the requirements of our qualification program. You are approved to use the alternate shell spring finger design. No changes to the QPL will result from this qualification action.

This approval is valid until terminated by written notification from the Qualifying Activity. The normal period of Facility Approval is three years from the date of the certification. If warranted, Facility Approval may be withdrawn by this Center at any time, and the facility may be re-audited on a drop-in basis at any time. Facility Approval is subject to the conditions stated in DoD Manual 4120.24M, SD-6, and MIL-STD-790.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Alex Baillieul by email at [Alexander.Baillieul@dla.mil](mailto:Alexander.Baillieul@dla.mil).

Sincerely,

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ALAN WILL  
Chief  
Passive Devices Branch

